

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why is the survey being conducted?

Under the Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/9) the Illinois Department of Labor has the responsibility to “investigate and ascertain the prevailing rate of wages for each county in the State.”

What do I do if I’m having difficulties with the computer survey?

Please contact the Survey Hotline at 312-793-1585 or email us at DOL.PWSurvey.Contractor@illinois.gov.

Is this survey the result of a complaint against me or an investigation under the Prevailing Wage Act?

No. The purpose of this survey is to ascertain the prevailing wages in your locality. This information is not being requested pursuant to a complaint or as part of an investigation.

Who should complete survey on behalf of contractor?

The survey should be completed by the owner or his or her agent.

What projects should I report on?

We are asking for information on both public works projects and on your company’s regular practices on non-government projects. Different questions may refer to different projects. Please pay careful attention to the questions.

What do I do if I have workers who perform different types of work, such as painting one day, and carpentry the next?

You should apportion their hours, wages, and benefits among the different types of work that they performed.

I am the owner and I work on projects myself. Should I report my own hours and earnings?

No. The Prevailing Wage Act applies to employees.

We don’t really do construction work. Or we did not perform any work on government projects in 2015. What should we do?

Please log into the survey to confirm that your contractor name and contact information are correct. Then explain in the notes section at the bottom of the contractor information screen and hit the Save button to record your updates. On the next screen, please hit the <Certify> button to certify and complete your survey participation. You are not required to provide any further information.